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1. AT HIS REQUEST, I MET WITH DDG CHERNILIN, DDG BITTENCOURT, HAMMOND AND DKJOELDEBRAND JANUARY 17 TO DISCUSS SECRETARIAT'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO DIR GEN RE SUBJECT COURSE.

2. CHERNILIN NOTED THAT FRANCE (FOR WHOM DEADLINE HAD BEEN EXTENDED TO JANUARY 15 IN LIGHT DELAY IN ISSUANCE OF FRENCH LANGUAGE INVITATION LETTER) HAD INFORMED DIR GEN IT WAS PREPARED HOST FRENCH LANGUAGE SESSION FIRST PHASE COURSE IN SEPTEMBER 1975, AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE SESSIONS IN 1976.

3. SECRETARIAT HAD CONSIDERED SEVERAL ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IN RESPONSE TO THREE (FRG, US AND FRANCE) FAVORABLE RESPONSES AND PLANNED RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL THAT AFTERNOON, FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENT:

A. MAKE COMMITMENT FOR INITIAL PRESENTATION FIRST PHASE COURSE AT KARLSRUHE, FRG, SEPTEMBER, 1975;

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B. MAKE COMMITMENT FOR PRESENTATION FIRST PHASE COURSE AT ANL,

JANUARY, 1976;

C. STATE INTENTION, BEGINNING IN JANUARY, 1976, TO HAVE TWO SESSIONS PER YEAR AT EACH OF THREE SITES, AT LEAST THROUGH 1977. EACH SUCH SESSION WOULD BE EITHER FIRST PHASE COURSE OR COMBINED SECOND AND THIRD PHASE COURSE;

D. QUESTIONS OF WHERE AND WHEN COMBINED SECOND AND THIRD PHASE COURSE WOULD BE PRESENTED TO BE DETERMINED ONLY ABOUT MAY 1975, WHEN RESPONSE TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF FIRST TWO PRESENTATIONS (KARLSRUHE, SEPTEMBER 1975 AND ANL, JANUARY 1976) WILL BE IN HAND.

4. FOREGOING PLAN BASED UPON FOLLOWING ASSUMPTIONS BY SECRETARIAT:

A. FIRST PHASE COURSE AND COMBINED SECOND (CONSTRUCTION) PHASE AND THIRD (OPERATION) PHASE COURSE WILL BE PRESENTED IN 15 WEEK SESSIONS EACH.

B. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SESSIONS PER SITE IS TWO PER YEAR.

C. NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER SESSION WILL AVERAGE THIRTY.

D. THRU 1977, THERE WILL BE DEMAND FOR ABOUT 250 STUDENTS FOR FIRST PHASE COURSE AND ABOUT 80 FOR COMBINED SECOND AND THIRD PHASE COURSE. STUDENTS WILL COME FROM UP TO 25 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, OF WHICH 5 OR 6 WILL BE FRENCH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES.

5. CHERNILIN INFORMED MISOFF TODAY THAT DIR GEN APPROVED PLAN DESCRIBED PARA 3 ABOVE AND THAT LETTERS WILL BE ISSUED TO FRG, US AND FRANCE NLT JANUARY 24.

6. MISOFF HAS SEEN DRAFT OF LETTER WHICH WOULD BE SENT TO US. AFTER NOTING THAT INITIAL PRESENTATION OF FIRST PHASE COURSE WILL BE GIVEN AT KARLSRUHE IN SEPTEMBER 1975, DRAFT GOES ON TO STATE QUOTE THE TRAINING NEEDS ARE, HOWEVER, ESTIMATED TO BE SO LARGE THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DESIRABLE TO GIVE UP TO THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS OF THE COURSE AT SEVERAL LOCATIONS, INCLUDING ARGONNE, STARTING IN THE SPRING OF 1976. WE WOULD CONSIDER THESE COURSE AS A LONG-TERM PROGRAM OF TRAINING WITH TWO COURSE SESSIONS TO BE GIVEN EVERY YEAR AT EACH LOCATION OVER A PERIOD OF SEVERAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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YEARS. WHILE THE FIRST XOURSE SESSIONS AT EACH LOCATION SHOULD BE PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF NUCLEAR POWER PROJECTS, THE PROGRAM SHOULD, AS INDICATED IN YOUR PROPOSAL, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE SAPSECTS OF BOTH CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS IN ALTERNATE COURSE SESIONS. SUCH AN EXTENSION COULD TAKE PLACE FROM THE THE AUTUMN OF 1976 OR THE SPRING OF 1977.

THE AGENCY WOULD THUS PROPOSE TO AVAIL ITSELF OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S OFFER, SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN THE AGENCY'S BUDGET FOR 1976, TO START A PROGRAM OF COURSES AT ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY WITH AN INITIAL COURSE SESSION IN THE SPRING SEMESTER STARTING IN EARLY 1976. UNQUOTE

7 FOREGOING TEXT HAS BEEN SEEN ONLY BY SOROKIN-LEVEL STAFF MEMBER ASSIGNED DRAFTING TASK AND WILL REQUIRE CLEARANCE, AT MINIMUM BY BITTENCOURT, CHERNILIN AND HALL BEFORE DIR GEN SIGNS, WHICH SHOULD HAPPEN BY JAN 24.

8. ADVISE SOONEST IF TEXT QUOTED PARA 6 ABOVE IS SATISFACTORY TO LIVERMAN, ERDA AND BECK, NRC. PORTER

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